DECISION MEMORANDUM

TO: COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER

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FROM: GRACE SEAMAN

DATE: JUNE 13, 2016

RE: APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF A COMMERCIAL MOBILE

RADIO SERVICES INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BY CENTURYTEL OF IDAHO, INC. DBA CENTURYLINK AND

CENTURYTEL OF THE GEM STATE, INC. DBA CENTURYLINK WITH NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC; CASE NOS. CEN-T-16-01 AND

CGS-T-I6-01.

BACKGROUND

Under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, interconnection agreements must be submitted to the Commission for approval. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1). The Commission may reject an agreement adopted by negotiations only if it finds that the agreement: (1) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or (2) implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A).

THE APPLICATION

On June 10, 2016, CenturyTel of Idaho, Inc. dba CenturyLink and CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. dba CenturyLink submitted Applications for approval of a Commercial Mobile Radio Services Interconnection Agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC. These agreements establish terms and conditions for interconnection and intercarrier compensation.

STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has reviewed the Applications and believes the agreements are consistent with the FCC orders and pro-competitive policies of this Commission, the Idaho Legislature, and the federal Telecommunications Act. Staff recommends Commission approval of the Applications.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to approve the Applications?

Grace Seaman

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